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*Respects of James Kimball
to Mr Edward Strong*

A JOURNAL OF THE REV. DANIEL SHUTE, D. D.,
CHAPLAIN IN THE EXPEDITION TO
CANADA IN 1758.

COMMUNICATED BY JAMES KIMBALL.

THE Rev. Daniel Shute was commissioned as chaplain to a regiment of foot for the invasion of Canada, during the "Old French War." Mr. Shute was the son of John and Mary (Wayte) Shute and was born in Malden, July 19, 1722. Graduated (Harvard) in class of 1743. Ordained as pastor over the Second Church in Hingham, December 10, 1746, and relinquished his public labors in March, 1799, but continued his pastoral relation until his decease, which occurred August 30, 1802.

COPY OF COMMISSION.

[SEAL] THOMAS POWNALL, Esq^r, Captain General
and Governour in chief in, and over his
Majesty's Province of the Massachusetts
Bay in New England, Vice Admiral of the
same, etc.

TO DANIEL SHUTE, M. A. Greeting. Reposing especial Trust and Confidence in your Loyalty, Piety and Learning, I do, by these presents, Constitute and appoint you the said Daniel Shute, to be Chaplain of a Regiment of Foot commanded by Colonel Joseph Williams, raised by me for a general Invasion of Canada.

You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge

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the Duty of a Chaplain to the said Regiment in all things appertaining thereunto, Observing such Orders and Instructions as you shall from time to time receive from your Colonel or any other Superiour Officer, for which this shall be your Warrant.

Given under my hand and Seal at Arms at Boston the thirteenth of March, 1758. In the Thirty first year of his Majesty's Reign. T. POWNALL.

By his Excellency's Command,

A. OLIVER, Sec.

1758. May 20. About 11 o'clock A.M. took leave of home, arrived at Boston at 5 o'clock P.M.

31. Set out from Boston with Lieut Col Twing between 9 & 10 o'clock A.M. Found Col. Williams and others at Waltham; arrived at Worcester 9 o'clock at night. We had the pleasure of riding in y^e rain all day. Lodged at Col. Chandler's.

June 1. Very rainy. tarried at Worcester all day, dined at Col Gardner Chandler's.

2. The rain continued,—remained at Worcester all day, where we were very generously entertained by Col Chandler's lady.

3. Dull weather in y^e morning. Took leave of y^e Col's lady, and went forward, had a very pleasant day, soaked with a heavy rain in y^e edge of y^e evening, before we could reach y^e Tavern in Cold Spring where we lodged.

4. Sunday. Prayed with Cap^t Butterfield's Company before we left our lodgings. Travelled about 3 miles, and met Maj Arbuthnot who informed us our Regiment was at Hatfield; arrived at Hadley between 1 & 2 o'clock, dined with y^e Major; attended publick exercise P. M. with Col. Williams, after which went over to Hatfield, found y^e Regiment well and in high spirits. Lodged at Col Israel Williams.

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5. The Col spent the day chiefly in administering y^e Oath, to y^e Officers. (A leaf of the journal missing.)

11. Sunday. Preached at Pontoosuck in y^e Fort belonging to Col William Williams which is y^e only house inhabited in y^e place; near twenty families having moved away for fear of y^e Indians.

12. Found very bad bread here, 'tho the poor soldier had been encouraged to take that which was scarce fit to eat at Hatfield, under the promise of having good new bread at Pontoosuck; obliged to take part in stores for y^e greater expedition of y^e 2^d Battalion in our Regiment. Had orders to march by Division, in separate Companies, some went off about 8 o'clock, y^e last about 11 o'clock. We set out about 12, and dined at Guttridges Fort, 5 miles from Col Williams. P. M. marched about 10 miles, and encamped with Capt Wards Company.

13. Marched at 6½ o'clock A.M. Dined at the half-way house so called from Kenderhook to Albany, arrived at Greenbush at 4 o'clock P.M., upon y^e bank of y^e river right opposite to Albany.

N. B. The greater part of y^e way our Troops marched from Hatfield to Greenbush is inexpressibly bad, and y^e greater part of our Regiment at present, what with y^e badness of y^e way, and what with y^e badness of y^e bread appear to be unfit for duty.

Just at night I ventured over to Albany in company with Col Williams & Maj Arbuthnot,—was conducted where I was assured there was no danger of taking the Small Pox, which is in five or six places in y^e City. Returned, and lodged at y^e Tavern kept by a widow Lummis.

14. Wednesday. Moved my Quarters to Mr Witbeck. Brother Ben arrived.

15. Thursday. He took a vomit being much oppressed

at y^e stomach. Arms were brought over from Albany for our Regiment.—A cool day, at night very cold for the season.

16. Fryday. First discovered my horse was gone out of Col Renselaar's pasture, much fatigued in looking for him. Sent a party of men after him.

17. Still in quest of my Horse.

18. Sunday. Preached to y^e Reg^t. from Gen. 28 Ch 20. 21 vs.—No exercise P. M. y^e time spent in preparation to march y^e next morning.

19. Monday. Paid for five days board at Mr Witbeek's two dollars nearly.—the Reg^t. marched A. M. I went up y^e River in a Battoe with the Baggage, arrived at y^e Flats between 2 & 3 o'clock P. M.; lodged at Mr Van Burin's. In y^e evening paid Col^l. J Williams 1[£]: 15^s. 4^d. my exact proportion of travelling expenses from Boston to Greenbush. (N B Col^s Williams and Twing, had each a waiter maintained out of y^e common stock from Hatfield and generously treated Officers they fell in company with)

20. Returned from Mr Van Burins at y^e flats, by water with Col Williams to Greenbush.

21. Went over to Albany to wait on y^e Col^l., who gave leave I should tarry behind to wait y^e arrival of my Chest, and went himself to join his Reg^t at y^e Flats, took lodgings at Mr. John Lansing's in y^e City—much indisposed. Lodged with Mr. K-h-h.

22. Much recruited. P. M. went over to Greenbush. saw Capt J Wh-t-g. Heard our Reg^t were ordered to Schenactady.

23. At Albany waiting for my chest.

24. Still at Albany; wrote several letters home. Very hot.

25. Sunday. Went over to Greenbush. Heard Mr.

Pomroy preach from Deut. 32.-29.—Mr. Little P. M. from Nahum 1.-7. At night returned to Albany.

26. Rainy. Went to see Mr. Spencer in y^e City indisposed. Waited upon Mr. Pomeroy at my lodgings.

27. Went to Schenactady in company with Doct Fairfield arrived at about 6 o'clock P. M.—Lodged at y^e Rev. Mr. Vroman's.

28. Took lodgings at Mr. Isaac Truax's.

29. Prayer at 5 o'clock in y^e morning.—P. M. drank tea at Mr. Langley's an English gentleman at Schenectady.

30. Spent some time in retirement.

1758. July 1.

A letter from Brig^{dr}. General Stanwix to Col Williams, informing, that he must in a few days march his Reg^t up y^e Mohawk River, to y^e great carrying place, about 60 miles above the German Flats, and to carry with him two months provisions, artillery, & ammunition, in Battoes prepared for y^e purpose, which destination has given great uneasiness to y^e Reg^t.—and not less to y^e Officers than to y^e Privates.

2. Sunday. Had two exercises in y^e Meeting House, the first began at 12 o'clock,—the second at 4. Preached from Ex. 23: 20. 21. Drank tea with Mr. Langley.

July 3. Col Williams went to Albany to wait upon General Stanwix, for redress of some difficulties, and for further supplies of Arms, Tents, etc. Dined at Esq^r. Sanders.—Green of Braintree broke out with the Small Pox in the barracks. Removed.

4. A Negro fellow removed upon the same account. Dined with Domine Vrooman, Predicant, in Schenectady,—in Height 6 feet 4 inches & $\frac{1}{2}$,—and every way large in proportion:—Preaches without notes with little Premeditation. Explains a Text A. M. and preaches

Divinity in y^e afternoon as he has bin please'd to inform me several Times. The People here attend their publick religious exercises with great Devotion.—In morals they are not so exact.

5. General Abirerombie with 18,000 Troops embarked in 1100 Battoes, and 300 Whale boats for Ticonderoga with some artillery.

7. Landed without opposition y^e French retreating but soon returned and made some opposition, in which skirmish y^e brave Lord Howe was killed. Their Number uncertain, said to be from 3 to 600. They were easily repulsed with y^e loss of but few on our side, by report 40 killed and wounded. On y^e side of the Enemy 160 taken, and y^e greater part of y^e rest cut off. Upon Lord Howe being slain the whole army were halted,—and

July 7. lay still upon y^e same account. But 18000 men not able to bring him to life. (My chest arrived at Schenectada).

July 8. The Gen^l thought proper to attempt to force y^e Enemies entrenchments before y^e fort, only with small arms. In y^e rash attempt, Killed 571. Wounded 1363. Missing 34. The slain and wounded, chiefly Regulars, who were in y^e centre, the Provincials upon each wing in y^e attack.

It is reported by those on y^e spot, that a Skirmish between our advanced Guard, and y^e French advanced Guard began very early this morning, ours consisted of about 100 men; y^e Gen^l suffered none to go to y^e relief; the skirmish ceased at 10 o'clock, y^e French retreating, and a volley was fired from y^e Entrenchment, when the Gen^l gave orders to march immediately and force y^e Entrenchment, but would allow no canon, 'tho eno' lay handy. The engagement continued late in the afternoon. Heard myself, Gen^l Johnson declare to God, that when

Abircrombie mentioned to him his intention to retreat to W Henry, he earnestly dissuaded him from it; upon which he was ordered with his Indians in y^e evening to march about 2½ miles from y^e Sawmill toward the Lake where y^e Battoes lay.

July 9. The Army returned to W Henry unpursued by y^e Enemy. So many Regular Officers were slain in Battle a Council of War, it seems could not be held on that side of the Lake. It is here confidently reported that two 24^{lb} Cannon were ordered by an express from sd Gen^l, too this side of the lake to Fort Edward, and ordnance stores from Albany stoped on road. Consummate Prudence; if y^e French should beat our army from y^e Lake, y^e Cannon would help them make a vigorous stand at Fort Edward, and if obliged to abandon that; warlike stores would be necessary at Albany

Preached all day in Schenactada Meeting House, y^e first exercise began at 11 o'clock—the second half after three.

July 10. Three hundred of our Reg^t went from Schenactada up Mohawk River with 60 Battoes loaded with provisions under command of Maj Arbuthnot with an escort guard comnd by Lieut Turner. Hear y^e 2 Cannon were bro't back no farther, than y^e half way Brook.

11. Went over y^e River with Mr Sanders to Col Glin's Farm.—N.B. 60 acres of wheat together and as many of Peas.

July 12. The negro removed 4th Ins. had not y^e Small Pox. Another soldier removed under suspicion of having it.

July 13 I wrote Deacon Cushing an acc^t of y^e Battle at y^e Narrows. The Dutch women are more laborious, and dilligent than the men. The men depend most on y^e negroes to do y^e work, and often get together with y^e

Pipes especially Morning, and Evening, in y^e Stupes before their doors. The women the most distinguished among them go in a loose dress, and all y^e forenoon without Stockings, and Shoes, about House to do y^e business. When dressed in y^e afternoon their dress is loose and y^e Petticoat very short so as to show the greater part of y^e Legs.

July 14 Wrote to Deacon Cushing a letter to correct the former. Predicant Vrooman with some of y^e Quality of y^e Town attended Prayers in y^e Fort in y^e Evening.

July 15. Three o'clock P. M. attended y^e Funeral of Mr Vrooman's Brother in Law. After the People were collected who kept abroad, except the relatives of the Deceased; the Clerk proclaimed from y^e Stupe. before the door, "If any where disposed to see y^e Corpse they might come in." But few from the many abroad went in.—the Corpse was soon brought out and laid upon the Bier. The Coffin was made with a regular Taper from head to foot. The top like a pitched roof of a house. The relations to remote Cousins follow next y^e Corpse two, and two. The mourners all silent at the Grave. All returned from y^e Grave to y^e house and drank wine plentifully.

Sunday 16th. Preached in y^e Meeting House. First exercise about 12 o'clock from Col. 1. 23.—The second at 3 o'clock, from Jer. 23. 10.

July 17 Col Twing went to Albany to get arms, and Cartouch Boxes

July 18 Brigadier Gen^l Stanwix came to Schenactada.

July 19. Gen^l Stanwix gave Orders,—That Col Williams Regiment hold themselves in readiness to march to morrow morning, and to carry 40 or 50 Battoes up y^e Mohawk River. About 11 o'clock, came driving to Town, and upon examining y^e King's store, there was not pro-

visions Eno' to load 10 Battoes. P. M. New York Troops arrived.

July 20 The Jersey & Rhode Island Reg^{ts} came to Schenactada.

July 21. Still at Sch^a waiting for stores.—The Dutch here have a nasty practice of yarding their cows in y^e Street before their doors, and evry morning take y^e dung of y^e Cattle into y^e middle of y^e street and throw ashes and other dirt there.

July 22 Dined with Col Twing.—Post Prandus.—Wrote to Mrs —.

July 23. Sunday Mr Spencer, New York Chaplain, preached 11 Chron 32 v. Gen^l Stanwix and y^e Regular officers present. In his address to them acknowledged their great goodness in coming to N. America with such noble views, and the Disingenuity of y^e people in failing to make them grateful returns. And after discanting awhile on their wonted Lenity in discipline, advised y^m to more vigorous measures to prevent deserting. Preached to my own Reg^t from Math 7.—13. 14.

July 24 Wrote to Dⁿ Cushing and others.

July 25 The remains of Col Williams Reg^t marched from Schenactada 216 in all.—Navigated 24 Battoes up y^e Mohawk river. the rest went as an escort guard. I went aboard one of y^e Battoes.—helped sett with a Poll, when we had rapid water, went about 7 miles, and Encamped.

July 26. On board of Battoe. P.M. Col Williams went aboard one.—Had challenge to go with any, when ours went by,—with authority demanded of Capt Slocomb a setting Poll, or two,—delivered,—encouraged our men with y^e promise of Grog, and beat him on y^e second Trial. went about 9 miles and encamped below Gen^l Johnson's.

July 27. Fell between 2 Battoes and hurt my leg

badly. To day went about 7 miles and encamped. Lodged with y^e Colonel at Capt Funda's, an Indian Chief under Gen Johnson, who treated us with great Generosity.

July 28. Worried along 13 miles to day and encamped at Mr Fry's, y^e water for 6 miles not rapid. At sunset a Dutchman arrived he was shot at, about 2 miles above Mohawk River.

July 29 Went about 11 miles. Should have got further but detained by leaving a Battoo in y^e morning where we Encamped. The Col very fractious, worked hard to day. Encamped very late opposite Fort Aurdriek. Many of y^e Soldiers obliged to go without eating and lodged in y^e open Damp Air.

July 30. Sunday. Six miles—arrived at y^e little Carrying Place 12 o clock. about a mile over. Spent y^e rest of y^e day in getting y^e lading over. The Doctor and I so lucky as to get ours over first. Pitched our tents and enjoyed ourselves.

July 31. Lay at y^e little Carrying preparing to move forward. A.M. very rainy. Our Battoes not all over till y^e afternoon; then waited for the Regulars to get theirs over, who begged our Protection. Very much indisposed with the Dysentery.

August 1. Pushed off our Battoes at 7 o clock. reached Fort Harkiman at 11 o clock. 6 miles—and spent y^e rest of y^e day in taking out stores. Encamped at y^e West end of the Fort, in daily expectation of being attacked here, in y^e forenoon fell a fine sleet.

Aug 2^d To day our Guard a mile and a half from the River, about 3 o clock discovered a small smoke by y^e side of y^e River in very thick woods. A man appeared on y^e Bank of y^e River & suddenly disappeared, upon which Suspicion arose in our minds, we were ambushed. I went a shore with y^e Col and Party to make discovery,

found y^m a party of our Escort Guard. who had come down to y^e river, reached about 15 miles.

Aug 3 About 18 miles to day. Encamped at Col Schuyler's Farm by some called y^e great Indian Farms. Five Guns fired at Duck, by y^e Col & others in his Battoc. Vastly imprudent so far advanced in an Enemies Country. Finished y^e Eggs bro't from home in my chest, all proved good.

Aug 4. Met Maj. Arbuthnot going Express from y^e Fort to Gen^l Stanwix, occasioned by information received this morning from some Oneida Indians, that a Body of French & Indians with Artillery would be upon them in two or three days. About 4 o'clock P.M. arrived at y^e great carrying place 12 miles from our last night' Encampment.—Not having time for y^e Quarter Master to lay out y^e ground pitched our tents irregularly, near where Fort William stood The Fort is now inclosed with Palisades by y^e New York troops, and lies at y^e North end of Fort Cravin burnt by Webb, which our people have inclosed also with timber to secure themselves.

Aug 5. A.M. very rainy. Col Williams dined in Fort Cravin. The rain ceased at 12 o'clock. The Col came to y^e Encampment about 5 o'clock P.M. was greatly surprised we had not struck our Tents and pitched them in regular form for which he had given no order.

Aug 6. Preaching appointed for this forenoon, but a number of the Oneida Indians Tribe came in y^e morning, and declared a Body were three days ago at Oswangagee, it was tho't proper to omitt it, and spend y^e day in clearing away the brush, and tall weeds round y^e Encampment. A Party went P.M. as far as Bulls Fort 4 miles from hence no discoveries.

Aug 7 Went into y^e Woods with hands to get Timber to raise my Tent with. A scout of 18 men went out to day.

Aug 8. Drawed Logs round y^e Camp Brest-work. A Party sent out and bro't in Lt Barou, who lost y^e Party of 18, he went with yesterday.—Raised my Tent.

Aug 9. Our Reg^t continued to surround y^e Encampment with Logs. —A Party of 12 men sent out on a scout; y^e 18 returned made no discoveries. The Jersey Blue's arrived at 12 o'clock. P.M. Very rainy, our Camp nothing but mire.

Aug 10. Nathaniel Stoddard died of the Dysentery, about 2 o'clock this morning, buried at 10.—Dined with Col Williams to day in Company with Mr Brainard, and the first since I left Schenactada, and but once there, and once with Col Twing. Gen^l Stanwix arrived at the Great Carrying Place. Bradstreet also.

Aug 11. A considerable frost y^s morning.—Very hot in y^e middle of y^e day wrote to my Father. P.M. Went to see Col Doty's Reg^t, my heart was grieved to find y^e men so greatly fatigued, and nothing comfortable to take. No Sutler, no Doctor, no Chaplain with them. The several Col^{ls}. on y^e spot advised with. Notwithstanding y^e opposition made chiefly by Col Williams, a Detachment made from y^e several Reg^{ts} to go forward under y^e command of Col Bradstreet, where is not disclosed, supposed to be Cataraugue, alias Frontinack viz

Regulars	155	Col Williams	432
Rangers	60	“ Dotey	243
New York	1,112	Artillery	20
Rhode Island	318	Battoe Men	270
Jersey's	412	Indians	70

Total 3092 men.

N. B. The Reg^{ts} on y^e spot very much broken Doty's between 4 & 500. Rhode Island about 600 &c &c.

Aug 12 The detachment made, next day Sunday, but no preaching. The day spent in making preparation

for y^e March, in carrying Battoes, whale boats & Provisions over Morass Creek, about a mile from where Fort Cravin stood, to a Fort built with Pallisades called Fort Newport.

Aug 14 The command under Col Bradstreet March A.M. Maj Arbuthnot desired me to note, that he had left some money and other things in the hands of Mr. Camel, or Campbell, merchant in Schenactada. His Papers, Orders, &c., with H Arbuthnot; and in case he sho'd not return to inform his wife. Lt Peek with a Party joined the Reg^t.

Aug 15 Very rainy. —wrote to Dea Cushing, Doct Tufts &c.

Aug 16 The Troops under com^d of Col Bradstreet marched from Fort Newport.

Aug 17 The Gen^l refused to let any sick of our Reg^t go home.

Aug 18 Doct Fairfield, and I spent y^e day in moving Tents to y^e eminence where y^e Fort is designed to be built, and on y^e next day y^e Reg^t moved the Encampment to y^e same Place.

Aug 20. Sunday. No preaching. All y^e troops on y^e spot imployed. y^e rain prevented an Exercise which was to have begun at 6 o'clock. Dined with Col Delancey

Aug 21. Drank Tea with Mr Brainard.

Aug 22 Very Hot. Spent y^e day in getting timber for my tent.

Aug 23 Last night went y^e Rounds with Col Williams or rather at three o'clock this morning. Very hot. Gen^l Stanwix received confirmation of the reduction of Louisburgh.—between 12 and 1 o'clock, discharged 21 Cannon, and all y^e Troops gave 3 huzza's.

Aug 24 Cut my foot. Died a Soldier of Capt Butterfield's named —

Aug 25. Drank tea with Mrs Brainard. Capt Eb W—t—g. with 36 privates joined us.—Benj Hubbard of Capt Slocomb's died at 10 o'clock at night.

Aug 26 Drank tea with Miss J—r & B—d at Col Williams Tent. Lodged in my new Tent. Very hot.

Aug 27 Sunday. Suprized much with a Report delivered with an air of certainty, that there had bin lately a terrible Earthquake in New England by w^h, much damage was done to Buildings, and many people killed & half Charlestown swallowed up. Upon inquiry found no reason to depend on s^d Report.

The Reg^t all at work, & on Guard. After work at night preached a short discourse from 1 Chron 16. 31 v. being y^e first Sabbath after y^e Confirmation of y^e reduction of Louisburgh.—began Exercise about ¾ after 6 o'clock.

Aug 28. Very Hot. Spent y^e afternoon with Capt Eb W—y, and several Regular's Officers. At sunset a very smart shower, and heavy Thunder, high wind, and hard rain in y^e night, lay dry in my new *wooden tent*. Others very much soaked in their Osombrige Tents

Aug 29. Cool after y^e Thunder.

“ 30 Very cold last night.—reed several letters from friends at Hingham.

Aug 31 Pleasant Wrote to Dea Cushing & Mrs Gardner.—hear that Wm Gold a Negro of Capt Slocomb's Co died at y^e little carrying place returning home.

September 1. Had opportunity early this morning to send y^e letters wrote yesterday. P.M. Nathaniel Gardner died.

Sept 2. By an Express to Gen^l Stanwix heard y^e news of y^e reduction of St Malo's. At 12 o'clock discharged the cannon here, and y^e Troops gave 3 huzza's. Dined with Col Williams on Salt Fish, after dining at home on Roast Beef.

Sept 3. Sunday. Wrote Dea Cushing of Nathl Gardners death. Spent y^e day in my Tent. Just about Sunset arrived two Indians with letters from Officers with Col Bradstreet & Party informing of y^e reduction of Cataroqui or Frontinac. The news rec^d with great joy in the Camp, 21 Cannon discharged and 3 huzza's given before dark. concluded with throwing several shells from a small mortar.

Sept 4. Doct Fairfield very sick. Very rainy night.

" 5 In the morning y^e Small Pox discovered on a man in the Hospital. Upon examination by Doct Norton, of the York forces, judged it had already turned, by a constant purging had bin prevented filling so as to be observed, 'tho a few appeared full,—but y^e most were flatted He was immediately moved at a distance from y^e Encampment. had bin in the Hospital two days, I must therefore have bin much exposed as well as others to take y^e distemper, as I visited the sick in y^e Hospital, and prayed with them while he was there, at night took a Mercurial Pill.

Sept 6. Obtained the Col^s consent to go to Schenactada, if I could get an opportunity; at a stand whether to go, or stay. Upon mature tho't, and advice of friends, Judge it to be most prudent to go.

Sept 7. By Col^s Delaney & Glazier advised not to go; may a Wise and Good Providence direct me:—determined if an opportunity sho^d seasonably present to imbrace it, if not to make myself easy here. Just at night Lieut Tuckerman, with a party in Battoes arrived from Schenactada, and unexpectedly ordered by the Genl to go back to morrow.

Sept 8. Battoes detained till to morrow to carry letters from Col Bradstreet, who arrived yesterday from Bull's Fort, 4 miles hence, where he ordered his Party to halt

and divide y^e Plunder taken at Frontinaek, and come himself to Camp this afternoon.

Sept 9. At one o'clock Saturday left the Oneida Station come in a Battoe with L^t Tuckerman. Observed the leaves begin to fall from y^e Trees by y^e river side, chiefly from y^e Oyⁱ Nutt tree. Came 13 miles and Encamped at y^e great Indian Fields. encamped y^e sooner, for y^e sake of the sick, 30 of whom we had with us

Sept 10 Very rainy last night. Sweat plentifully in my Tent. Rose this morning at 3 o'clock, ordered a fire struck up. prepared something comfortable for y^e sick, took breakfast, and on board our Battoes an hour before sunrise; just before sunsett arrived at y^e little Carrying Place.—53 miles to day.

Sept 11. Sett out about 11 o'clock, and thankful that I could have Soldiers to bring my chest over, for we could not obtain a wagon. — at 1 o'clock, got down Fort Henrick—at 3 o'clock halted at Mr Jacob Oels, a eh Minister,—took refreshment, and lodged there,—treated with hospitality, and for me nothing to pay next morning—14 miles

Sept 12 Sett off 6 o'clock in the morning, 7 at night arrived at Schenactada 46 miles. N. B. The distances I mention running down the river, more certain than those going up.

Sept 13 Went to y^e Barracks very early this morning to take care of y^e sick bro't with us,—Spent chief of y^e day with Mr Hitchcock. Drank tea with Mr Saunders. at night took 8 grains of Calomel, agreeable to direction from Doct Norton, preparatory to having y^e Small Pox.

Sept 14 The Bolus taken last night operated very gently this morning, about 10 o'clock took a portion of Cream of Tartar, operated well

Sept 15. Rested very well last night, and feel better

to day than did yesterday or y^e day before. This afternoon secured a place to have y^e Small Pox in, with a very clever family, and at a proper remove from y^e Main Street in Town. The Man, Landlord Truax's Son, his wife the Daughter of the former Minister of this Place. Every thing at present takes place as I could desire for wch I hope I'm not ungratefull to a kind Providence. at night took 8 grains of Calomel

Sept 16. The Mercury taken last night operated kindly this A.M. at 10 took Cream of Tartar. P.M. Mr Spencer Chaplain of the New York forces, arrived here from the Oneida Station Indisposed.

Sept 17. Sunday. Rested well last night except being chilly awhile, after first going to bed, and free from any symptoms of Small Pox this morning. Heard Mr Hitchcock preach all day. 1st Discourse from y^e 76 Ps. 7v—2^d Discourse from y^e 139 Ps. 23 & 24 verses. Spent y^e fore part of y^e Evening at Mr Saunders.

Sept 18 Very well this morning. Wrote to Dea Cushing my Father & Mrs Gardner by Serjt Lincoln. — About 10 o'clock, my head began to ache, and continued with a pain in my Arm till 5 o'clock P. M., which, as I had no pain in my Back, I did not conclude to be Symptomatical of y^e Small Pox, but the effect of some cold taken by carelessness in y^e use of Mercury. Spent y^e afternoon with Mr H—k—k. & Mr Spencer.

Sept 19 Had an uneasy Night from Pain in my Neck and between my shoulders wch continues this morning, but am free from pain in my Head and Back. About 11 o'clock came on a dulness in my Head. P. M. Dulness continues, and at times sensible of Dizziness, especially if attempted to read.—felt better in y^e evening. Perceived an Eruption on my thigh this morning could hardly get my feet warm by y^e fire, before I went to bed.

Sept 20 Very chilly and cold last night after I got to Bed. Slept comfortably. waked in the morning in a gentle sweat; my Pains in great measure removed, found an eruption on my left wrist, similar to that on my thigh, and said by my Landlord's wife to look like y^e Small Pox. Doctor Grafton of the New York Forces, and used to Inoculation of the contrary opinion. Sent the letters I wrote last night to Col Williams at y^e Oneida Station p^r Col Doane. As I went to bed last night, drank some warm "Philip."

Sept 21 The "Philip" I took last night, gave free perspiration, rested well, and felt better this morning, then for several days past. Spent y^e Evening abroad

Sept 22. Rested pretty well, but hot and feverish part of y^e night. still troubled with dizziness in my head. Had my Horse brought up and shod, and took a ride in the afternoon. Spent the evening with Mr Hitchcock, came to my Lodgings about 9 o'clock. Dizziness in my head increased,—burnt very much after abed, and no rest for two, or three hours.

Sept 23 Much better this morning, but very little of y^e disagreeable sensation in my head, by which am ready to conclude my Disorder, a sort of a fever was at its crisis last night. . . . My conclusions I find to be very false. Dizziness in my Head before noon came on to a greater degree.—In y^e beginning of y^e evening taken with a violent pain in my head, & y^e small of my Back and a high fever. The Disorder was of y^e nervous kind.¹

Oct. 6. Went abroad being a very pleasant day. Ventured as soon as I tho't it safe, that I might be y^e sooner ready to go home, took no cold.

¹ From the 23d of September to the 6th of October there is no entry in his Journal. It would seem that he was down with the Small Pox, although he makes no entry to that effect.

Oct^r. 7. Better. rode out;—in y^e evening, had a visit from Mr. Frelinghussen, Dutch Minister of Albany.

Oct^r. 8. Sunday. Rode out in y^e forenoon & afternoon had a high fever from 3 o'clock to 7.—Slept pretty well. Mr Frelinghussen to see me.

Oct 9. Much better, rode out tho' cloudy dull wether.

Oct 10. A very dull day, or should have sett out for Albany.

Oct 11. About 12 o'clock left Schenactada. Stopped an hour at Mr John Lansing's, at Albany, and took some refreshments, finding myself a little recruited, crossed the River at sunset—lodged at Mr Witbeak's.—But little sleep.

Oct 12 Waited for Brother Ben, till 12 o'clock.—took dinner and set out for Kenderhook, rode about 4 miles, and happily overtook Mr Martin of Cambridge bound home: Stopped at y^e half way house, and while there Broth^{er} Amos came up much indisposed, give him some refreshment, advised him to tarry 'till Ben came up, and being too ill myself to tarry went forward with company, arrived at y^e Mills in Kenderhook sun an hour high,—20 miles,—rested something better.

Oct 13. This morning on Horse back, by sun an hour high. Went to the Stone House to breakfast, 9 miles, arrived at Sheffield 28 miles from Kenderhook. lodged at Brigadier Dwight's. Rested still better.

Oct 14 A rainy morning, and continued raining 'till about 3 o'clock P. M. when I set out with Mr Martin; travelled about 5 miles, and obliged by y^e rain to put up, lodged at Mr Dana's

Oct 15 On Horse back by sunrise; took breakfast at Chadwick's 4½ miles. Entered the "Green-woods" at 9 o'clock, bad travelling after y^e rain, got thro 2 o'clock. (y^e wood 18 miles.) Took refreshment at Roots 30½ miles

from Sheffield. continued our Journey to Springfield 21 miles, arrived at 7 o clock.—lodged at Mr Hitchcock's Fathers.

Oct 16. Set out from Springfield about 11 o clock : at night lodged at Mr Jones of Western.

Oct 17 Got my Horse shod at Mr Padocks near Mr Jones's Showery day.—at night lodged at Mr Roberts of Liecester. thundered in y^e evening.

Oct 18 Clear cool morning.—Exchanged my horse Dan^l Lynde for a young mare, gave a Johanna's to boot. took some refreshment at Mr McCarty's at 3 o clock.—lodged at Mr Cushings of Shrewsbury.

Oct 19 Pleasant Morning.—Lodged at Mr Cushing's.—Waltham.

Oct 20 9 o clock took leave of Mr Cushing.—1 o clock dined with Col Williams wife.—got home about 8 o clock in y^e Evening.

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